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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of James M. "Strawberry" Nelson of Anna on Thursday, June 9, 2005; and

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WHEREAS, He was born on November 4, 1925, in Balcomb to Monroe and Susie Bridges Nelson; he first married Mary A. Anderson in 1945 in Union County; she preceded him in death on July 17, 2000; he later married Cora E. Cross in 2001 in Union County; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Nelson worked as a construction foreman for S.J. Grovers; he was a veteran of World War II and was a member of Anna Masonic Lodge, Big Creek Baptist Church, and attended Landmark Pentecostal Church; and

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WHEREAS, His passing has been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Cora; his daughters and son-in-law, Rita and Mickey Hindman and Linda Brimm; his six grandchildren; his nine great-grandchildren; and his niece and nephew; he was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, and his sister, Doris Sadler; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of James M. "Strawberry" Nelson, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to his family as an expression of our sincerest condolences.

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